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*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
14th February, 1866.*

The Governor has been pleased to appoint William A. Mouat, Esq., to act as Mail Agent on board the contract steamship Labouchere.

By His Excellency's command,  
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,  
Colonial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
16th February, 1866*

The Governor directs the publication of the following letter from the Secretary of the General Post Office, London, announcing an alteration in the scale of weight for charging letters sent from the United Kingdom to Vancouver Island.

By His Excellency's command,  
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,  
Colonial Secretary.

*General Post Office,  
11th December, 1865.*

SIR,

I am directed by the Postmaster General to inform you that, on the 1st January next, and thenceforward, an alteration will take place in the scale of weight for charging letters sent from the United Kingdom to Vancouver Island, by substituting for the present scale of progression a scale having half an ounce as a unit throughout, with the postage advancing by one rate for each half ounce.

Thus—a letter weighing more than one ounce, but under one ounce and a-half, will be chargeable with three rates of postage, instead of four as at present; and, if exceeding two ounces, but under two ounces and a-half, will be chargeable with five rates of postage, instead of six; and so on.

A proposal will be made to the

Government of Vancouver Island, through Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to adopt a similar alteration in charging letters sent from Vancouver Island to this country.

I am, &c.,  
F. HILL.

The Postmaster  
of Victoria,  
Vancouver Island.

### TRADE ASSESSMENT, No. 12.

Notice is hereby given, that the Trade Assessment Roll, for the half year commencing 1st January, 1866, was finally passed by the Court of Revisors on the 15th instant, and that the amounts so assessed are payable at the Treasury on or before the 26th instant.

In order to avoid inconvenience, by overcrowding at the Treasury, persons are requested not to postpone payment until the last day.

By His Excellency's command,  
ALEXANDER WATSON,  
Treasurer.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
15th February, 1866.*

The following Title of an Act, which has this day received the assent of His Excellency the Governor, is published for general information:

"An Act to enlarge the time limited by The Harewood Railway Company Act, 1864, for making and completing a Railway from Departure Bay, Nanaimo District, to the Harewood Coal Fields in Mountain District, Vancouver Island."

By His Excellency's command,  
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,  
Colonial Secretary.



## NOTICE.

In the matter of an Act to authorize the Spring Ridge Water Works Company, (limited) to construct Reservoirs and lay Pipes for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Victoria, and to acquire Land necessary for such purposes.

Notice is hereby given, that it is intended that an application shall be made during the present Session of the Legislature, for a Bill to authorize the Spring Ridge Water Works Company (Limited), to construct Reservoirs and lay Pipes for the supply of water to the inhabitants of Victoria, from Spring Ridge and its neighborhood, and to acquire and hold lands necessary for such purposes, and to authorize the collection of rates.

Copies of the proposed Bill will be deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly on the 2nd of February next.

J. P. CRANFORD,  
Secretary.

COLONY OF VANCOUVER  
ISLAND, TO WIT.

A Court of Assize and General Gaol Delivery, is appointed to be holden on Monday, the 26th day of February, instant, at the Court House, Victoria, at the hour of ten in the forenoon, before the Honorable Joseph Needham, a Justice of our Lady the Queen, assigned to inquire, hear, and determine all treasons, misprisions of treasons, felonies, misdeeds, offences and injuries, whatsoever and wheresoever within the said Colony committed, and also to deliver all the Gaols, and every the Gaol of our Lady the Queen in the said Colony.

Proclamation is therefore hereby made in conformity to a precept directed and delivered to me, to all persons bound to appear at the said Court by recognizance or otherwise, to appear thereat, and all Justices of the Peace, Coroners, and other officers who have taken any recognizance for the appearance of any person at such Court, or who have taken any inquisition, or the examination of any prisoner or witness, are required to return such recognizance, inquisition, and examination, to the said Court, at the opening thereof, on the first day of its sitting.

Given under my hand at the Sheriff's Office, Victoria, on the 17th day of February, 1866.

WM. BROOKE NAYLOR,  
Sheriff.

Colonial Secretary's Office.  
17th February, 1866.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication, for general information, of the following list of unclaimed letters.

By command,  
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,  
Colonial Secretary.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED LETTERS REMAINING  
IN THE POST OFFICE FROM  
10TH TO 17TH FEB.

A	
Allan, A	Adler, S
Arnould, M	Arnold, W
Avons, W	
B	
Butts, H	Bentley, W
C	
Conley, J S	Coupland, J
Cotman, Mr	Cowling, Mr
Cohen, H M	
D	
Dennes, G E	Decoux, Mrs
Drever, W	Dempster, A
E	
Edwards, J	Eberhardt, G
G	
Garrett, Rev	Gillet, Mr
H	
Henley, Mr, 2	Harris, F
Hickin, G	
J	
Jerome, Miss	
L	
Leask, Mrs	Lohse, W
M	
McDonald, J	Meyer & Co
Morrison, G	Mann, J
Millard, C T	Marks, J & Co
McFadden, C	McTiernan, Mr
McDonald, A G	McLean, Archibald
N	
Neilson, A	
P	
Pickett & Co	
R	
Ross, L C	
S	
Smith, W	Scobie, J
T	
Trefry, J	Trounce, T
Taylor, J G	Trickey, C N
W	
Westwood, W J	Watson, Mr
Wilson & Rickman	Welch, G
Woods, Rev	Wren, Miss J

HENRY WOOTTON,  
Postmaster.



*Colonial Secretary's Office,  
29th January, 1866.*

The Governor directs the publication for general information of the following annual reports from the departments of the Surveyor General, Registrar General of Deeds, and Harbour Master.

By His Excellency's command,  
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,  
Colonial Secretary.

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VANCOUVER ISLAND COLONY, }  
LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT, }  
30th December, 1865.

Sir—I have the honor to furnish for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the following general annual report of the works carried out by this Department during the year, together with statistical returns, and other matters of interest, so far as I have been able to obtain them.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. W. PEARSE,

Acting Surveyor General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

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#### ROAD, STREETS AND BRIDGES.

Schedule A shows the length of Road macadamized, or otherwise made, during the year, also the amount of Bridging and Corduroying built, together with the cost of the same per yard, and per mile, exclusive of superintendence.

A great many important works for which monies were voted by the Legislature, have not been carried out, owing to the anticipated deficiency of the revenue.

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#### AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Schedules B, C, D, and F, G, and H show the population, number of acres cultivated and fenced, number of stock, and the estimated value of the improvements of each settler in the more recently settled districts, viz.

Cowichan, Comiaken, Shawnigan, Somenos,—in Cowichan Country.

Nanaimo, Cedar, Mountain, Comox—in Nanaimo Country.

Schedule I, shows the number of claims recorded, and the number of acres during the years 1861, 2, 3, 4 and 1865. This must not, however, be regarded as a correct statement of the quantity of land settled up, as many persons take up land, record it, settle for a short time, and vacate it, or move to another district.

I regret being unable to furnish more of these returns, which are so valuable to the government and the public.

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#### SURVEYS AND EXPLORATIONS.

COMOX DISTRICT.—The most important survey made during the year 1865, was that of the Comox District. Great inconvenience was felt by the settlers in being unable to fence, and in some instances to pay for their lands, after a certificate of improvement had been obtained. I therefore arranged with them to send a private surveyor up to make the survey at a cost not exceeding \$6 00 for 100 acres, or \$8 00 for a larger amount, they finding labor, board and lodging for the surveyor. I have subsequently obtained the authority of His Excellency to deduct the amount so paid by them from the purchase money of the land. The cost of this survey was 41 cents per acre; amount surveyed, 5,494 acres.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE GROUNDS have been surveyed, and stone posts put down to mark the corners in a permanent way, cost of survey \$60: Posts, \$50 00.

ESQUIMALT HARBOUR. An accurate survey of the principal Topographical features of the land in this neighbourhood and as far as Victoria, has been made, for the information of the Imperial Government. Cost, \$337 71.

EXPLORING EXPEDITION. An expedition to the West Coast of the Island, was fitted out under the command of John Buttle, for the purpose of discovering gold in paying quantities. Although in this respect the hopes entertained were not realized, yet valuable knowledge of the Topography of parts of the Island hitherto little known was obtained, and the existence of ranges of slate to the northwards was proved. Further exploration in this direction may establish the fact of large deposits of the precious metal. Cost, \$2,300.

DISCOVERY ISLAND—was surveyed and an Indian Reserve laid out, to prevent disputes between the natives and settlers. Cost, \$91 76.

ROAD — GOLDSTREAM TO SAYWARD'S MILL. An exploration of the country between these two points is being made, to ascertain whether it is possible, at a moderate expense, to make a waggon road. The last report from the surveyor engaged in the work is very favorable as regards the first  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Goldstream. This line is shorter by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles than the existing one.

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#### WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE. The house and grounds were purchased for the sum of \$19,000. The design for altering and enlarging the same was prepared by Messrs. Wright & Sanders, architects. It was not considered expedient to carry out the whole of the design this year. A contract was entered into for the enlargement as it now stands, at a cost of \$13,288. Most of the large articles of furniture were made in the Colony at a cost of \$594. New Stables, capable of enlargement, were erected at a cost of \$670, and some old ones patched up for temporary use. General alterations and additions and improvements, such as the sinking of wells to supply water in case of fire, were made at a cost of \$1,414. The architect's commission was, as usual  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.; amount \$910.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS. General repairs, sweeping chimnies, and whitewashing the public offices, cost \$249 25.

GAOL. Building Bath House, repairs and alterations cost \$1,249 86.

MAGISTRATES HOUSE, LEECH RIVER. Repairs, &c., cost \$36.

COURT HOUSE NANAIMO. Plastering and building boat house, cost \$181 80.

LIGHT HOUSES. Repairs, &c. cost \$30.

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#### VICTORIA HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT.

DREDGER. The work of dredging began on the 22nd February, and was entirely discontinued on the 15th June. During that time about 1600 tons of mud were lifted and discharged half a mile outside the harbour. The cost was about \$2 a ton, exclusive of wear and tear and breakages. Many unavoidable delays were caused by the machinery not being in all its parts adapted to the work. e. g.

The steam tug drew so much water that she lost a great deal of time in getting hold of the loaded punts. The bottoms of the hoppers were found to be too flat to discharge the stiff sandy clay of the harbour. The

anchors for holding the Dredger were reported by the Superintendent of the works as far too light to prevent the vessel from dragging. The injection cocks, from being placed just under the ladders were obnoxious to being choked with the sand stirred up by the buckets, and held in mechanical suspension in the water, thus preventing the formation and retention of a proper vacuum, and the needful supply of steam.

With all the machinery in working order the cost of dredging should not exceed 35 to 38 cents per ton, or about thrice the cost of the same work in England.

THE STEAM TUG has had her shaft taken out and lengthened so as to give it a bearing on the aftermost stern post, and the old brasses, which were quite worn through, have been renewed, and strips of *lignum vitæ* for bearings, inserted. She has been also fitted with larger masts and proper canvass, and is now considered efficient and seaworthy.



# Schedule A.

## ROADS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES.

Name of Work.	Length in Yards.	Price per Yard.	Amount Expended in		Description of Work.	Remarks.
			1864.	1865.		
Cedar Hill Road contract	978	1 59		1663 18	Graded 25ft. wide, gravelled 12ft. wide, 12 in. deep	Contract made in 1864
" " No. 2	64	1 69			Do do	
Burnside Road	1858	2 11		4053 38	Do do	Do do
Culverts	95	1 40			Culverts	
Albert Head Road	200	0 25		50 00	Cleared and graded	
Do Bridges	46 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	8 85			First Class Bridges	Not accepted or paid for, not according to specification
W Saanich Road (Thompson's to Harr's')	1778	2 37	5090 29	2195 54	Graded 25 ft., gravelled 12 ft. and 12 in deep	Contract made in 1864
Do (Lake Hill to Stephens')	3531	0 87				
Do do Bridging	1171	1 61			Graded 25 ft., gravelled 12 ft. wide and 14in. deep	Foreman and party
Do do Excavating	22 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	4 50		2368 45	First class without handrail	Do
E Saanich Road, (North of Mount Newton)	750	0 50			And filling in below to ease grade, cutting 2ft 6in deep	Do
Do do	4107	0 34		1400 00	Cleared 30 ft., graded 15 ft.	Contract, \$600 per mile
Do do culverts	200	2 27		454 00		
Pedder Inlet to Sooke	17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 40		24 26	Graded 25 ft., gravelled 12ft. and 12 in. deep	Do
	12430	0 05		570 93	Cleared 10 ft. wide	\$95 per mile, \$100 deducted for bad work, contract
Craigflower to Burnside Road	2016			200 45		
Do Colquitz Bridge	40			250 00		
Do Corduroy	19 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>			58 00	Cleared 30 ft. graded 15 ft.	Contract
Do 1 culvert				10 00		
Craigflower to Esquimalt, 11 culverts	2926	0 31		1068 87	Cleared 25 ft., graded 15 ft.	Contract, \$550 per mile
Do (branch to Admiral's)	988	0 43		721 22	Cleared 20 ft., graded 20 ft., 200 yards gravelled	Contract, \$750 per mile
Ogden Point Road (to Victoria)	1815	0 65		1179 75		
1 bridge				200 00		
7 culverts				70 00	Cleared 33 ft. and graded	Contract
Blasting				50 00		

Maple Bay to Somenos Road	11147	0 05½	640 00	} Cleared and graded 10 ft., first class bridge	Contract, \$100 per mile	
1 bridge	83	4 50	373 50			
Corduroy	174	3 00	522 00			
Bolts			48 00			
Goldstream to Leech	12540	0 04½	534 37½	} Cleared and graded 10 ft.	{ Contract made in 1864, \$75 per mile	
Bridging	131½	4 50	592 50			
Corduroy	330	1 50	495 00			
Goldstream to Cowichan			318 75	Building corduroy, clearing out fallen timber, and connecting old trail to Cowichan with that to Leech near the Parmeter Quartz claim		
Bacon Bar Trail			325 00	Cutting trail to replace that made last year by the contractor, for whom it was not laid out		
General Repairs to macadamized Roads			349 70	Graded 25 ft., macadamized 18 ft., 14 in. deep	Work performed by convicts	
Moss street to Government House			234 98			
	5090	29	21021 83			

#### RECAPITULATION.

	No. of yds made during the year 1865.	Total cost.	Cost per Yard.	Cost per Mile.
Total No. of yards of macadamized Road, including proper culverts, made during the year	6049	\$12300 13	\$2 03	\$3575
Do. other Roads, properly cleared and graded, of various widths	51700	9615 56	0 19	335
Do. do 1st class Bridging	347½	1909 00	5 50	9680
Do. do Corduroying	523½	845 00	1 61	2834
	58619½	\$24669 69		



**Schedule B.**

Statistical report showing the No. of settlers, amount of land fenced and cultivated, and No. of stock in the

**COMIAKEN DISTRICT.**

Names of settlers and what family.	No. of acres occupied.	No. of acres cultivated.	No. of Stock.				Remarks.
			Oxen.	Cows and Calves.	Pigs.	Horses.	
T. J. Skinner, 2 sons and 4 daughters ....	400	8	5	4	30	6	Not long been residents
S. Bednall and wife.....	150	4	..	9	10	..	
Wm. Dring .....	100	4	2	6	8	..	
Robt. Miller .....	100	8	..	6	8	..	
Robt. Campbell .....	100	2	..	6	11	..	Recent settler
F. Morley .....	100	3	..	2	..	..	Do
Chas. Morton.....	100	3	..	..	2	..	Do
Wm. Stonier .....	100	2	..	2	..	..	Do
T. Forth, wife and 3 children .....	150	..	..	..	..	..	
J. Williams .....	100	..	..	..	..	..	Recent settler
J. C. Leask and wife ...	150	4	2	6	..	3	
Jno. French.....	100	4	..	6	10	..	
Hugh Drummond .....	150	4	..	..	10	1	
Robt. Randall.....	100	..	..	..	..	..	Recent settler
Jas. Miller.....	100	..	..	..	..	..	Do
H. McKenzie and wife .	100	..	..	..	6	..	
Thos. Windsor.....							Store Keeper
Wm. Beaumont.....							Non resident at present.
	2100	46	9	47	95	10	

This return was made by the settlers themselves.



## Schedule C.

Statistical report showing the No. of settlers, amount of land fenced and cultivated, and No. of stock in the

## SOMENOS DISTRICT.

Names of Settlers and what Family.	No. of acres occupied.	No. of acres cultivated.	No. of Stock.				Remarks.
			Oxen.	Cows and Calves.	Pigs.	Horses.	
J. Davie, Sen. .... }	700	5	...	17.	14	6	
J. Davie, Jun. .... }							
Wm. Davie. .... }							
Wm. Drinkwater, .... }	300	20	...	23	50	14	
Jos Drinkwater, .... }							
A. Kier, .... }							
J. Kier, .... }	300	7	...	5	25	1	
T. Nichol, ....	100	2	...	...	...	...	
N. Bell, ....	300	7	2	20	20	1	
W. H. Lomas, ....	100	3	...	...	11	...	
H. M. Wing, ....	100	...	...	...	...	...	Recently settled
J. Evans, ....	150	...	...	...	...	...	Recently settled
R. Blackie, ....	250	...	...	...	...	...	
A. C. Garrett, ....	350	30	2	13	60	5	
G. Dean, ....							
J. Gallett, ....	100	5	7	...	...	...	
Wm. Smith, ....	100	3	...	...	4	..	
	2850	82	11	78	184	27	

This return was made by the settlers themselves.



## Schedule D.

Statistical report by Land Recorder of Nanaimo District, showing the number of settlers, number of stock, and the estimated value of Improvements.

## MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

Name of Settler.	Acres.				Nature of Improvements.	Value.	No. of Stock.
	Culti- vated.	Capable of Culti- vation.	Hay Land.	Fenced.			
C. S. Nicol, .....	32	40	60	160	Barn, dwelling house, &c	2500	31
N. J. Jones, .....	8	50	50	10	Clearing, fencing, house	1000	25
J. Westwood, .....	24	30	40	140	Do	1000	78
Nicholas & Francis....	24	226	200	50	Do	2000	27
G. Brown, .....	5½	25	..	25	Do	1000	..
J. Hamilton, .....	2	..	..	4	Do	300	..
— Crane, .....	5	80	20	60	Do	200	2
S. Fiddick, .....	5	100	30	150	Do	1000	12
P. Sabiston, .....	18	200	40	50	Do	3000	50
R. Dunsmuir, .....	1	10	10	5	Do	800	10
T. L. Gough, .....	..	100	70	..	Do	300	..
J. Christie, .....	2	3	5	3	Do	500	4
J. Bryden, .....	..	..	..	..	(Lime Kiln)	300	..
W. J. Hughes, .....	5	5	..	4	(Do, Fishing station, &c)	600	8
J. Grandham, .....	..	20	..	..	Clearing, fencing, house,	100	..
	131½	889	525	661		\$14600	247

W. H. FRANKLYN,  
Land Recorder.



## Schedule E.

Statistical report by the Land Recorder of Nanaimo District, showing the Number of settlers, Number of stock, and the estimated value of improvements.

## CEDAR DISTRICT.

Name of Settler.	Acres.				Nature of Improvement.	Value.	No. of Stock.
	Culti- vated.	Capable of Culti- vation.	Hay Land.	Fenced.			
R. Haslam, .....	20	30	...	15	Clearing, fencing, house	1500	16
J. Biggs, .....	6	50	60	50	Do	1500	20
W. H. Franklyn, ....	40	300	100	50	Do	5000	188
J. Ferguson, . ....	5	50	10	15	Do	1500	33
York & Gordon, .....	12½	35	30	12½	Do	2000	40
A. R. Benson, .....	5	8	80	100	Do	2000	20
W. J. Isbester, .....	..	12	100	...	Do	300	10
J. Stove, .....	3	3	..	3	Do	..	2
J. Dolholt, .....	...	...	..	...		...	...
B. H. Hunter, .....	3	50	..	20	Houses and Works } in coal mines }	500	10
	94½	538	380	265½		\$14300	339

## NANAIMO AND OTHER DISTRICTS IN VICINITY.

E. Gough, (Nanaimo) .	..	50	50	75	Clearing, fencing, house,	300	6
B. Smyth, (Gabriola Isd)	2	..	..	..	Do	300	..
T. McGaffie, do. ....	2	..	..	..	Do	300	6
M. Edgar, do. ....	5	50	30	..	Do	700	30
T. Dignon, do. ....	5	20	20	5	Do	300	20
M. Roe, do. ....	..	..	..	..	Do	300	...
J. M. Brown, do. ....	10	25	..	30	Do	..	..
J. Brady, do. ....	..	..	..	..	Do	200	...
W. Hunter, do. ....	..	..	..	..	Do	200	..
H. D. Lascelles.... } Cranberry) .....	..	..	..	..	Coal mining, bridges, &c	2800	2
J. Enos, (Noonoas) } Bay .....	5	20	..	5	Clearing, fencing, house.	700	10
	29	165	100	115		\$6100	74

W. H. FRANKLYN,  
Land Recorder.



## Schedule F.

Statistical report by the Land Recorder of COMOX DISTRICT showing the Number of settlers, Number of stock, and the estimated value of improvements to 9th November, 1865.

Name of Settler.	ACRES.				HOUSES.		STOCK.					Value of Improvements.
	Pre-empted.	Bought.	Fenced.	Culti-vated.	Dwell-ing.	Other.	Oxen.	Milch Cows.	Young Cattle.	Horses.	Pigs.	
Brown, A.....	100	..	4	2	1	1	...	2	4	..	...	\$350
Bailey, J. ....	150	100	10	10	1	3	2	11	18	1	120	500
Burrage, C. R. ....	50	..	..	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	350
Burns, M. ....	100	..	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	250
Bridges, C. ....	100	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..
Brooks, H. ....	100	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..
Carwithen, C. I. ....	150	..	..	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	15	125
Clark, J. ....	100	..	4	3	1	1	...	6	1	...	25	250
Duncan, W. ....	150	50	20	15	1	2	4	3	7	...	24	500
Fletcher, C. ....	100	50	3	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	6	250
Finlay, T. ....	100	40	12	3	1	1	2	...	...	...	15	300
Fakey, P. ....	100	..	25	6	1	...	2	5	9	...	43	250
Fitzgerald, J. ....	100	..	5	4	1	...	...	1	2	...	13	250
Ford, G. ....	100	..	..	5	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	250
Gunderston, S. ....	100	..	30	5	1	1	...	...	...	...	8	350
Green, C. ....	150	..	7	7	1	2	2	...	...	...	28	450
Good, J. B. ....	170	..	..	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	..	450
Harmston, W. ....	170	50	5	3	1	2	3	4	3	...	15	450
Harrop, H. ....	100	..	30	7	1	1	...	8	6	...	1	400
Hargreaves, H. ....	100	..	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	50
King, J. ....	100	..	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	150
Musters, W. C. ....	100	..	3	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	7	250
McNish, J. ....	100	50	12	5	1	...	1	3	5	...	25	250
McFarland, G. ....	100	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	100



McElvey, A. ....	100	..	8	5	1	2	..	6	3	...	70	300
McBratnie, J. ....	100	...	..	..	1	...	..	..	..	..	..	100
McCord, W. C. ....	100	...	4	1	1	...	...	..	..	..	..	200
McCord, B. C. ....	100	...	6	...	...	...	2	..	...	..	..	100
Murphy, P. ....	100	...	12	5	1	23	2	2	2	..	25	250
Mitchell, G. ....	150	...	25	18	1	1	2	8	16	..	15	800
Mechin, W. ....	100	100	5	2	1	..	2	2	4	..	40	200
McCutcheon, J. ....	100	...	4	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	...	250
Moore, P. ....	100	...	2	2	1	...	..	..	..	..	20	100
Nathan, A. ....	150	...	15	7	1	1	2	3	4	..	16	400
Robb, J. ....	180	100	...	6	1	3	4	1	3	..	8	475
Ritchie, R. ....	100	...	2	1	1	..	2	..	...	..	18	150
Rodgers, A. ....	150	...	8	5	1	2	7	2	3	...	..	450
Ross, ....	100	...	...	...	1	..	..	30	9	2	..	50
Thompson, J. ....	100	...	20	8	1	1	2	10	9	..	17	350
Wilson, J. ....	100	200	40	6	1	2	4	1	1	1	30	375
	4520	740	328	150	37	36	45	109	110	4	604	\$11075

Land Holders—Males .....	40
Other Males .....	10
Women .....	7
Children—Males .....	4
Do Females .....	3
Total Population .....	64

JAMES ROBB,  
Land Recorder.

## Schedule G.

Statistical report showing the number of settlers, amount of stock, amount of land cultivated, &c, in the

## COWICHAN DISTRICT.

Names of settlers and what family.	Acres Occu- pied.	Acres culti- vated.	No. of Stock.				Improve- ments. Value of	Remarks.
			Oxen.	Cows and Calves.	Pigs.	Horses.		
Samuel Harris, .... } Thos. Marshall, ..... } Benjn. Dobson, ..... } M. J. Marshall, ..... } Jas. Boal, . .... } Danl. Campbell, .... } Thos. Smith, ..... } Thos. Williams, ..... } Jno. Lemon, ..... } P. Brennan, ..... } T. Bottrell, ..... } T. B. Shaw, ..... } Jas Kelly, ..... } E. Marriner, ..... } Hy. Marriner, ..... } P. Rondeau, ..... } Sisters of St. Ann's } Convent, ..... }	Build- ing Lot.	} ..	..	...	4	..	1500	"John Bull, Inn."  <



## Schedule H.

Statistical Report of the Agricultural Improvements in the

## SHAWNIGAN DISTRICT.

Name of Settlers and what Family.	Acres occupied.	Acres cultivated.	No. of Stock.				Value of Improve- ments.	Remarks.
			Oxen.	Cows and Calves.	Pigs.	Horses.		
Jos. Gabourier....	100	4	1	5	..	..	250	
F. Vantrier .....	100	10	2	6	5	..	700	
S. Shepard .....	100	$\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	..	..	150	
J. McGowan .....	116	6	..	..	4	..	200	
J. D. Manson ....	47	..	..	..	..	..	500	A non-resident.
W. Manley .....	150	25	4	16	30	..	1500	
M. Knott.....	45	..	..	..	..	..	150	A non-resident.
W. Shearing .....	150	6	..	3	3	..	500	
W. Lennard .....	50	1	..	..	..	..	200	
B. Dobson .....	50	2	..	2	..	1	200	
Totals .....	908	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	32	42	1	\$4350	

# Schedule I.

Statement of the number of Claims Pre-empted, and number of Acres contained, in the various Districts from 1861 to 1865.

	1861.		1862.		1863.		1864.		1865.		Totals.	
	No. of Claims.	No. of Acres.	No. of Claims.	No. of Acres.	No. of Claims.	No. of Acres.	No. of Claims.	No. of Acres.	No. of Claims.	No. of Acres.	Claims,	Acres,
Victoria .....	...	...	1	20	2	75	..	..	...	...	3	95
Esquimalt .....	2	172	7	1050	3	250	6	450	1	50	19	1972
Metchosen .....	4	600	4	550	12	1692	10	910	5	360	35	4112
Sooke .....	4	573	4	500	14	1722	3	240	..	..	25	3035
Lake .....	8	1190	8	950	1	100	3	240	3	250	23	2730
North Saanich.....	10	1580	4	470	13	1360	10	955	4	300	41	4665
South Saanich .....	9	1350	11	1380	6	580	6	600	4	400	36	4310
Highland.....	3	500	2	200	..	...	1	100	2	200	8	1000
Shawnigan .....	25	3813	17	3500	5	550	6	790	5	438	58	9091
Cowichan.....	17	2550	45	7060	14	1361	13	1283	7	775	96	13029
Qumichan .....	8	200	19	2650	15	1400	6	650	13	1361	61	7261
Somenos .....	...	...	3	4350	16	1508	5	480	5	404	59	6742
Comiaken.....	12	1300	4	400	12	1340	17	1629	8	629	53	5298
Chemainis .....	6	900	27	3550	13	1370	2	200	8	828	56	6848
Nanaimo .....	4	550	1	100	3	260	3	516	..	...	11	1426
Mountain .....	4	600	1	100	3	250	7	3850	4	1000	19	5800
Cranberry .....	2	300	3	300	1	78	1	2800	..	...	7	3478
Douglas .....	..	..	...	...	5	500	1	2800	..	...	6	3300
W Coast, Barclay Scund.	1	210	20	3210	4	450	3	300	..	...	28	4170
E Do Comox .....	...	...	51	6740	21	1990	25	2666	27	2474	124	13870
Quosqueemo .....	1	230	4	600	..	...	..	...	..	...	5	830
Islands and Dependencies	28	4580	23	2990	12	1430	6	600	6	660	75	10260
Cedar .....	...	..	..	...	5	600	8	990	..	...	13	1590
Saltspring Island .....	...	...	..	..	15	1660	7	700	1	150	23	2510
Sallas Island .....	...	...	...	...	1	1483	...	..	..	..	1	1483
Oyster Bay .....	...	...	..	..	7	700	1	150	..	...	8	850
	148	22198	289	40670	203	22709	150	23899	103	10279	893	119755



VANCOUVER ISLAND,  
LAND REGISTRY OFFICE, }  
18th January, 1866.

Sir—For the information of His Excellency the Governor I enclose a return of the transactions in this office during the past year.

Although the receipts are not so large as the two preceeding years, yet considering the depressed condition of all business pursuits, they are really beyond what might have been looked for, only falling short of the expenditure \$183 55.

The Registrar General anticipated a large increase of fees from copying deeds as allowed by the amended act, I regret to say that not one single case of a full spread of an instrument has occurred since I assumed the duties of this department, nor indeed since the amended act passed in April 1865, from which I think it may fairly be presumed that the public perfectly appreciate the advantages of the system of registration originally established in this Colony, and which is gradually extending in other Colonies, and has with some modification even been adopted in the mother country.

An additional source of income has taken place since the operation of our amended Registry Act, viz. From the acknowledgement of Deeds, &c., under section xiii, (13) and section xxx, (30) which compels a depositor of an instrument to pay \$5 if the same remain one month or upwards in this office.

I am glad to be able to add that no registered Title has either in the past year, or in 1864, been contested.

I have, &c.,

GEORGE PEARKES,  
Acting Registrar General.

( No. 1. )

A return of Transactions in the Land Registry Office during the year 1865.

MONTH.	Number of Applications.	Number of Absolute Fees Registered.	Number of Charges Registered.
January, .....	59	28	31
February, .....	43	20	23
March, .....	48	21	27
April, .....	50	27	23
May, .....	59	29	30
June, .....	66	35	31
July, .....	45	24	21
August, .....	3	14	12
September, .....	36	15	17
October, .....	49	17	27
November, .....	21	13	7
December, .....	1	10	17
	<u>480</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>266</u>

GEORGE PEARKES,  
Acting Registrar General.



( No. 2. )

A Return of Transactions in the Land Registry Office during the year 1865.

MONTH.	Amount of Fees.	Value of Property Registered.	
		As Absolute Fees.	Secured by Charges.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
January, .....	332 05	45675 00	95200 00
February, .....	147 38	22645 00	21000 00
March, .....	201 43	24925 00	30580 00
April, .....	222 78	35555 00	35920 00
May, .....	260 54	43120 00	49950 00
June, .....	273 16	49715 00	53530 00
July, .....	208 4	30970 00	57200 00
August, .....	133 14	12450 00	13651 00
September, .....	179 38	18025 00	47700 00
October, .....	212 20	27390 00	28881 00
November, .....	118 02	8380 00	4775 00
December, .....	135 53	5500 00	18786 00
	\$2414 45	324050 00	457173 00

GEORGE PFARKES,  
Acting Registrar General.

( No. 3. )

Comparative Statement of the number of applications during the last four years.

	YEARS.			
	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.
Number of Applications ...	555	729	647	480

( No. 4. )

Comparative Statement of the Revenue and Expenditure during the last four years.

	YEARS.			
	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Income .....	2467 05	3499 72	2938 48	2414 45
Expenditure, (approximate).	2120 78	2120 50	2622 00	2598 00
Surplus . ....	346 27	1379 22	316 48	

Average Cost of Registration..... \$4 41

GEORGE PEARKES,

Acting Registrar General.



VANCOUVER ISLAND, )  
HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, )  
Victoria, 24th January, 1866.

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith the following returns :

Statements of transactions in this Department for the year 1865.  
showing also a comparison with the year 1864.

1. Comparative return of Imports into the Port of Victoria.
2. Statement of revenue in the Harbour Master's Department.
3. Statement of Expenditure in ditto.
4. Comparative returns of the Entrances and Clearances of vessels of each nation.

I have the honor to report for the information of His Excellency the Governor that the great decrease in the number of American Shipping shown in the statements of Entrances and Clearances is chiefly attributable to the law of the United States of America, prohibiting vessels under thirty tons register importing goods from a foreign country, having been enforced during the year 1865, thereby causing many vessels of that class to discontinue running between Puget Sound and this port.

I have, &c.

HENRY WOOTTON,  
Harbour Master.

( No. 1. )

Comparative Return of Imports into the Port of Victoria, Vancouver Island,  
during the years 1864 and 1865.

From what Place.	1864.	1865.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Eagland .....	1414184	982584	....	431600
San Francisco .....	1639442	1284687	....	354755
Puget Sound .....	284931	222056	....	62875
Portland .....	161131	181160	20029	....
Sandwich Islands .....	20124	93678	73554	....
British Columbia .....	82974	73071	....	9903
Chili .....	....	3772	3772	....
China .....	....	36198	36198	....
Society Islands .....	....	1115	1115	....
San Juan .....	....	4700	4700	....
Total .....	\$3602786	2883021	139368	859133
				139368
			Total Decrease, 1865 .....	\$719765

HENRY WOOTTON,

Harbour Master.



( No. 2. )

Statement of Revenue in the Department of the Harbour Master during the year 1865, showing also a comparison with the year 1864.

	1865.	1864.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Entrances and Clearances ....	5582 24	6294 15	....	711 91
Landing Permits .....	12050 05	6740 15	5309 90	....
Permits under "The Stock and Carcase Act, 1865." .....	6702 00	....	6702 00	....
Licences .....	1820 50	1870 18	....	49 68
Records, &c. ....	293 00	365 50	....	72 50
Total .....	26447 79	15269 98	12011 90 834 00	834 09
Total Increase, 1865. ....			\$11177 81	

HENRY WOOTTON,

Collector of the Port.

( No. 3. )

Statement of Expenditure in the Department of the Harbour Master during the year 1865, showing also a comparison with the year 1864.

	1865.	1864.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Salaries .....	1832 00	2382 00	....	550 00
Repairing Buoys and Beacons .	290 50	168 35	122 15	....
Rent ... ..	330 00	330 00	...	....
Total .....	\$2452 50	2880 35	122 15	550 00 122 15
Total Decrease for 1865. ....				\$427 85

HENRY WOOTTON,

Harbour Master.

( No. 4. )

Comparative Return of Number and Tonnage of Vessels of each Nation entered at the Port of Victoria, Vancouver Island, during the years 1864 and 1865.

ENTERED.

Nationality.	1864.		1865.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Colonial.....	883	84759	790	79320	...	....	93	5439
British .....	19	8975	15	7059	...	....	4	1916
American.....	480	90956	325	72373	...	....	155	18583
Russian . .....	3	1205	7	2240	4	1035	...	....
Danish .....	1	613	1	380	...	....	...	251
Norwegian .....	1	248	..	..	...	....	1	248
Hamburg .....	...	...	2	1104	2	1104	...	....
New Granada....	...	..	2	358	2	358	...	....
Chili.....	..	..	1	81	1	81	...	....
Total .....	1387	1 6774	1143	162915	9	2578	253	26437
							9	2578
Total Decrease for 1865.....							244	23859

HENRY WOOTTON,

Harbour Master.



( No. 5. )

Comparative Return of Number and Tonnage of Vessels of each Nation Cleared at the Port of Victoria, Vancouver Island, during the years 1864 and 1865.

## CLEARED.

Nationality.	1864.		1865.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Colonial .....	907	86984	809	80124	...	....	98	6860
British .....	16	7734	14	6676	..	....	2	1058
American .....	439	87910	314	69412	...	....	125	18498
Russian .....	3	1205	6	1812	3	607	...	....
Danish .....	1	631	1	380	..	....	...	251
Norwegian .....	1	248	..	....	..	....	1	248
Hamburg .....	...	...	2	1104	2	1104	..	....
New Granada ....	...	...	2	358	2	358	..	....
Chili.....	...	...	1	81	1	81	...	....
Total .....	1367	184712	1149	159947	8	2150	226	26915
							8	2150
Total Decrease for 1865. ....							218	24765

HENRY WOOTTON,

Harbour Master.

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1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a general discussion of the problem of the existence of solutions of the system of equations (1) and (2) for arbitrary values of the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

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2. In the second part of the paper we consider the case when the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are chosen so that the system of equations (1) and (2) has a unique solution. In this case the solution is given by the formula (3). The existence of the solution is proved by the method of successive approximations. The convergence of the series (3) is proved by the method of majorants. The results of the calculations are given in the table.

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